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Information circular*

To: Members of the staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: **Designation of duty stations for purposes of rest and recuperation**

1. In accordance with ST/AI/2011/7/Amend.2, on rest and recuperation, and following inter-agency consultations, the Office of Human Resources Management approves the United Nations Secretariat duty stations that qualify for rest and recuperation, the frequencies and the designation of rest and recuperation destinations. The annex to the present circular lists the duty stations approved for rest and recuperation purposes effective as from 1 July 2013.

2. In duty stations where the rest and recuperation frequency has been reduced, the new cycle takes effect immediately. In duty stations where the rest and recuperation frequency has been prolonged (6 to 8 or 8 to 12) or discontinued, staff members or eligible individuals who have already started accruing qualifying service prior to 1 July 2013 may avail themselves of rest and recuperation after completing the period of qualifying service previously in effect. Upon the return by the staff member or other eligible individual to the duty station, the new rest and recuperation frequency shall apply.

3. Should security or severe hardship conditions improve or deteriorate at specific duty stations during the course of the year, the duration of the period of qualifying service (frequency) may be adjusted by the Office of Human Resources Management following inter-agency consultations. Similarly, significant changes in a duty station environment may result in the approval or discontinuation of rest and recuperation.

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Annex

Consolidated list of duty stations[a] approved by the Office of Human Resources Management for rest and recuperation (effective as from 1 July 2013)

Duty station	*Frequency*	*Rest and recuperation destination*
Afghanistan		
Kandahar, Tirinkot	4 weeks	Dubai
Rest of country	6 weeks	Dubai
Algeria		
Tindouf	8 weeks	Las Palmas
Burkina Faso		
Dori	12 weeks	Ouagadougou
Burundi		
Ngozi	12 weeks	Nairobi
Central African Republic		
Entire country	6 weeks	Yaoundé
Chad		
Farchana, Gozbeida, N'djamena	8 weeks	Addis Ababa
Côte d'Ivoire		
Entire country except Abidjan and Yamoussoukro	8 weeks	Accra
Democratic Republic of the Congo		
Aru, Beni, Bukavu, Bunia, Butembo, Dungu, Goma, Kalemie, Mahagi, Uvira	6 weeks	Entebbe
Bandundu, Gemena, Kamina, Kananga, Kindu, Kinshasa, Kisangani, Matadi, Mbandaka, Mbuji-Mayi	8 weeks	Entebbe
Lubumbashi	12 weeks	Entebbe
Democratic People's Republic of Korea		
Pyongyang	8 weeks	Beijing
Ethiopia		
Gode	6 weeks	Addis Ababa

Duty station	*Frequency*	*Rest and recuperation destination*
Jijiga	8 weeks	Addis Ababa
Gaza		
Gaza (entire)	8 weeks	Amman
Guinea-Bissau		
Bissau	12 weeks	Dakar
Haiti		
Entire country	8 weeks	Santo Domingo
Iraq		
Baghdad, Basra, Kirkuk	4 weeks	Amman
Erbil	8 weeks	Amman
Kenya		
Dadaab	6 weeks	Nairobi
Liberia		
Entire country	8 weeks	Accra
Libya		
Benghazi, Sebha	6 weeks	Malta
Tripoli	8 weeks	Malta
Mali		
Bamako, Gao, Kayes, Kidal, Mopti, Tombouctou	8 weeks	Dakar
Mauritania		
Nema	8 weeks	Nouakchott
Myanmar		
Myitkyina (Kachin state), Sittwe	12 weeks	Yangon
Niger		
Maradi, Tahoua	12 weeks	Niamey
Pakistan		
Peshawar	6 weeks	Dubai
Islamabad	8 weeks	Dubai

Duty station	*Frequency*	*Rest and recuperation destination*
Papua New Guinea		
Port Moresby	12 weeks	Brisbane
Philippines		
Cotabato City, Iligan City	8 weeks	Manila
Cateel	12 weeks	Manila
Serbia		
Kosovska Mitrovica	8 weeks	Ljubljana
Sierra Leone		
Bo, Kenema	12 weeks	Accra
Somalia		
Entire country	4 weeks	Nairobi
South Sudan		
Akobo, Akon, Aweil, Bentiu, Bor, Boro Medina, Bunj, Gendrassa, Gokmachar, Jamam, Kwacjok, Maban, Malakal, Melut, Paryang, Pibor, Pulmok, Rumbek, Tambura, Yida, Yirol, Yuai	6 weeks	Entebbe
Rest of country	8 weeks	Entebbe
Sri Lanka		
Kilinochichi	8 weeks	Colombo
Sudan		
Abyei, Darfur, Ed Al Fursan (S. Darfur), El Da'ein (Darfur), El Fasher (Darfur), El Geneina (Darfur), Forobaranga (W. Darfur), Garzilla (W. Darfur), Gereida (S. Darfur), Kabkabiya (Darfur), Kadugli, Kass, Khor Abeche (S. Darfur), Khor Omer, Kulbus (Darfur), Kutum (Darfur), Labado (S. Darfur), Mallit (N. Darfur), Marla (S. Darfur), Masteri (W. Darfur), Mornie (W. Darfur), Muglad (Southern Kordofan), Mukjar (Darfur), Nertiti (W. Darfur), Nyala (Darfur), Saraf Omra/Umra (N. Darfur), Shangil Tobayo (N. Darfur), Sheiria (S. Darfur), Um Kaddada (N. Darfur), Zalingei (Darfur), Zam Zam (N. Darfur)	6 weeks	Entebbe
Damazine	8 weeks	Entebbe

Duty station	*Frequency*	*Rest and recuperation destination*
Port Sudan	12 weeks	Entebbe
Syrian Arab Republic		
Entire country	4 weeks	Amman
Timor-Leste		
Entire country except Dili	12 weeks	Darwin
West Bank		
Ramallah	8 weeks	Amman
Yemen		
Aden, Hurad, Sa'adah, Sana'a	6 weeks	Larnaca

[a] Reflects duty stations with a presence of Secretariat staff members. Specialized agencies, funds and programmes issue organization-specific lists.